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MAYO TRAIL IN JOHNSON COUNTY READY FOR LETTING

Citizens Buy Enough Bonds at Par to Insure Early Action.

Johnson county citizens in mass meeting Tuesday night practically assured the completion of the Mayo Trail from the Lawrence county line to Paintsville. This, the main project discussed at the meeting which was attended by some hundred citizens of Paintsville and Johnson county, all hinged on the disposal of \$45,000 worth of county bonds which had been voted some time ago.

James Turner, who had been appointed commissioner to dispose of the bonds, reported that he had been unable to do so, owing to the fact that the law did not permit of the disposal of county securities at a price below the par value. Hence, before the Mayo Trail project could be even considered it was necessary for the meeting to devise ways and means of disposing of the bonds.

Through the efforts of M. E. S. Posey, State Highway Engineer who gave some straight talk to the audience, as well through the talks of Henry Laviers, James Turner and J. G. Evans, the proposition of taking the bonds themselves was put up to the meeting. The offer made was to either buy the bonds or guarantee to make up the difference between the par value and the sale price if the bonds were sold to a bonding house for less than par. In less than ten minutes forty thousand dollars' worth of the bonds were made secure by the pledges of different citizens present, as well as by the two Paintsville banks and two of the large coal companies.

After the \$40,000 had been secured, it was decided that the merchants of Paintsville and Johnson county should be approached individually to help out and guarantee the balance of \$5,000 required for the completion of the Mayo Trail from Paintsville to the Lawrence county line. The feeling of the meeting generally was that during the next few days the balance would be secured, and that the county would be ready to go before the State Highway Commission and call for the letting of the contract for the road.

State Highway Engineer Posey explained to the gathering that it would be necessary to have the money certified for the information of the commission, and that all the state department would require would be that the county be ready to pay its quota on the monthly estimate of expenditures from time to time. Although there was considerable discussion over the project and the ways and means of raising the money, the enthusiasm became warm when the \$40,000 was raised, and the different members present appeared to be well pleased that a definite start had been made.

Although the committee has not yet been named by the chairman of last night's meeting, J. G. Evans, president of the Paintsville Commercial Club, it was certain that the strongest men in the county would be urged to go out and help put over the \$25,000 question. Uppermost in the minds of all was the advice given by M. E. S. Posey, viz: that "you will not get the roads until you are prepared to pay something for them yourselves." Johnson county citizens, realizing what Boyd and Lawrence county citizens had done in regard to the Mayo Trail last night vindicated themselves and demonstrated the fact that they were prepared to carry on with the project and not let it go by.

Another road subject which came in for considerable discussion was the road from Paintsville to Salyersville. David Browning and G. Howard were at the meeting and took up the outgoings on behalf of the Magoffin county seat. It appears that \$50,000 in bonds have been voted for this project and these bonds have not been sold. David Browning offered to raise the necessary difference between the par value and the sale price of these bonds which amounts to about \$5,000 through the oil men. The meeting endorsed this plan and Mr. Browning was accordingly appointed to see to the matter.

James Turner asked Mr. Posey how soon the contract for the road would be let if the necessary \$45,000 was guaranteed within a few weeks and Mr. Posey replied that while he could not guarantee anything, he felt certain that the contract would be let and work would be started before March 1, 1922. A similar question regarding the \$50,000 bond issue for the road from Paintsville to Salyersville elicited a similar reply from Mr. Posey—Ashland Independent.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER.
Miss Ruth Hall has arrived from Chicago to fill the vacancy in the high school at this place. This completes the faculty as required by the state law.

A new room has been fitted up for Miss Hall's department in the R. L. Vinson building on the same floor with the one used by one of the grades of the public school which is being taught by Mrs. A. H. Owen.

CECIL DIAMOND DIES.
Cecil, son of John E. Diamond, died at the home in Smoky Valley yesterday. He had been sick of typhoid fever for three or four weeks. His age was 17 years. He had been working in the coal fields of West Virginia and it is thought the disease was contracted there.

Large Moonshine Plant Destroyed by Dry Agents

The largest still yet captured in Kentucky was reported destroyed in an official report rendered to State Prohibition Director Collins. The distillery consisted of 200 gallon copper still operated by a big steam boiler, with a capacity of fifty gallons of moonshine daily. The plant, which was valued at more than \$1,000, was located near the head of Mackintosh creek, in Leslie county.

Dry officers destroyed 400 pounds of sugar, 600 gallons of beer, and eight bags of meal, together with much other equipment.

In an extended raiding campaign which lasted six days, nine prohibition agents destroyed sixteen stills and captured eight men. Seven of the stills destroyed were in Leslie county, four in Perry county and five in Wise county, Virginia, near the Kentucky line.

TWO MEN BEYOND SIXTY MARRY IN PIKE COUNTY

Pikeville.—B. F. Johnson, 65, married Anna Little, 18, at the bride's home. Drew Hall, 45, and Miss Renee Newson, 48, were married. Two fifteen-year-old brides were Miss Lizzie Coleman, who married Palmer Bentley, 22, and Miss Jennie Johnson, who was married to William Newson 27.

JOHN L. SKAGGS KILLED IN FIGHT

Fatal Shooting Near the Lawrence-Elliott County Line.

John L. Skaggs of Cherokee, this county, was killed in Elliott county, just over the line, last Saturday. It is said to have been the result of a drunken row.

Evans, son of Harrison Evans of Elliott county, is charged with firing the fatal shot. A "saw day" gathering brought together quite a crowd at the place where the killing occurred. Moonshine was plentiful and one man paid the supreme penalty for usually exacted upon such occasions.

Skaggs leaves a wife and two or three small children.

WEARER OF HONOR MEDAL, 85, GREETED BY PRESIDENT

Washington.—In the long line of visitors that went through the White House line Thursday to shake hands with the President was one of the oldest wearers of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Joseph Longley, 85, of Clayton, N. Y. He came to Washington to represent Civil War veterans at the ceremonies for the unknown soldier Armistice Day. Arrayed with the reward for his valor won as a member of the Twenty-fifth New York Infantry in 1864 at Black Water, Va. he had the pleasure of meeting the President and the added honor of being greeted by General Pershing.

Harding also greeted former Sgt. Alex L. Arch of South Bend, Ind., who fired the first shot of the American army in the World War.

NEW DRUG STORE WILL OPEN THANKSGIVING DAY

The Lawrence Drug Company is getting its new place of business in condition to open as soon as possible. Thanksgiving day is expected to be the opening date. The handsome soft drink fountain is in place. Most of the furniture is in the building. Carpenters are finishing the last details in their line. The modern front is very attractive and the show windows soon will be ready for use.

UNION OIL CO. WINS THREE SUITS

Judge Cochran in U. S. Court at Catlettsburg Monday decided in favor of the Union Gas & Oil Company three of the suits brought last year against that company. The plaintiffs are Morton E. Sparks, R. C. Miller and Oscar Skorton, who sued for cancellation of the leases on their farms in the upper Blaine field in this county. The contention was that the company had failed to begin operations in time, etc.

The decisions are important as there are other cases pending, based upon the same contention. We received the details of the decisions too late for publication this week, but will publish them later for the benefit of the public.

Mrs. Rosa Hatten of Buchanan, sent in seven yearly subscriptions for the NEWS this week, as a voluntary response to the Home Paper subscription week. We desire to acknowledge our sincere appreciation of her work. Scores of other people have helped in a smaller way, all of which is greatly appreciated.

GREAT MEETING TO BE HELD IN LOUISA VERY SOON

Four Famous Men to be Here a Week, Starting November 27.

Louisa is to be favored with an eight days meeting, from November 27th to December 4th inclusive, by four of the big preachers of the United States.

It is the Christian Fundamentals Conference Association movement and the speakers who are to be in Louisa are as follows:

Dr. W. B. Riley, of Indianapolis, Baptist.
Dr. L. W. Munhall, of Philadelphia, Methodist.
Dr. J. W. Lawrence, of Dallas, (Schofield's successor).
Dr. Chas. T. Alexander, of Kansas City, one of the greatest Bible teachers in the United States.

These conferences have been held in Ashland, Paris, Mayville, Mt. Sterling and Logan, and the reports from persons who attend are that they are very remarkable meetings. The ability of the men is not surpassed anywhere and the subjects they treat are intensely interesting and practical. Louisa is fortunate in securing these great men.

The plan they use is to have a meeting each night in the church having the largest auditorium. Each afternoon a meeting will be held at some other church, alternating each day. This rule will put the night meetings at the M. E. Church South and the afternoon gatherings will alternate between the Baptist, M. E. Church and the Christian Church.

These meetings are non-denominational and the subjects are of vital interest to everybody. The first meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon and the local ministers will decide at what church it will be held. They will decide upon this and the other dates and places at a meeting to be held next Sunday afternoon.

Carter Elected Democratic Judge and Magistrates

The recent election gives Carter county a Democratic County Judge, Rev. Andrew J. Kiser, a Baptist minister. Also, four of the eight magistrates are Democrats, putting the fiscal affairs of the county into the hands of the Democrats.

Soldier Bonus in Ohio Wins by Large Majority

Unofficial returns from 68 counties of Ohio give the following totals on the three constitutional amendments voted on last week:

Soldiers' adjusted compensation: Yes, 738,965; no, 151,120.

Vote throughout the entire state is expected to reach 1,250,000, and plurality for the bonus to be approximately 600,000.

BODY BURIED CENTURY AGO IS FOUND UNDER CHURCH

Lexington.—The body of the Rev. James McChord, was disinterred by workmen clearing the site of the First Presbyterian Church on Market street which was erected for that minister in 1815. Mr. McChord died in 1820 at the age of 35 years and his body was interred in front of the pulpit, according to a marble slab over the grave. The body will be reburied in Lexington cemetery.

TROOPS ORDERED TO PROTECT COURT AT SANDY HOOK

Governor Sends Soldiers At Request of Judge Cisco, Foe of Bootleggers.

Governor Morrow ordered Capt. D. L. Thompson and ten men from the local cavalry troop to proceed to Sandy Hook, Elliott county, upon the convening of Circuit Court there Monday and remain on guard during the term. Judge Cisco, who has made a record in stamping out bootlegging, requested that troops be sent.

The Louisa troop was on duty at Sandy Hook during the June term of court at the request of Judge Cisco, who said that organized moonshiners and bootleggers had threatened to prevent several of their number being punished. Judge Cisco said that the illegal liquor traffic was so strongly entrenched in Elliott county that protection was necessary to prevent violence.

FIRE DESTROYS BARN.

On last Sunday night Jim Rice (son of Rev. R. F.) who lives a few miles below Louisa had the misfortune to lose by fire his barn and its contents including two horses and two cows. A bloodhound was used the next day to try to run down the incendiary, but the dog failed to pick up a trail. This is a heavy loss to Mr. Rice who has been depending upon the work of this team of horses for a living.

Frankfort Will Give Mrs. Flanery Royal Welcome

Frankfort.—Kentucky's first woman member of the General Assembly, Mrs. Mary Elliott Flanery, of Catlettsburg, will receive a royal welcome from the women of this city when she comes here to assume her duties as a member of the lower branch of the 1921 legislature.

The election of Mrs. Flanery is a great boon to the women of the state who will ask her assistance in the passage of bills affecting women and children. There will be a member of important measures, in which women are interested, presented to the next legislature and it is probable that Mrs. Flanery will be asked to introduce and "father" these measures.

RETURNS TO LEGISLATURE AFTER 19-YEAR ABSENCE

The Rev. Thomas Hopkins, Pike county Baptist preacher, who was in the 1898 House and served a few months in Congress, will return to Frankfort as Representative. He was seated in Congress from the Tenth district in 1894, after a contest with Joe M. Kendall, who ran on the Democratic ticket to succeed his father. Kendall served out a considerable part of the term before the contest was decided against him.

FIRST WOMAN MEMBER OF FISCAL COURT IS APPOINTED

Miss Rosie Howard of Harlan county will be the first woman member of a fiscal court in Kentucky. She was appointed Magistrate for the Eighth District by Governor Morrow to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her father. She will serve until Jan. 1st.

JAMES STARR KILLED IN MARTIN

Lawrence County Citizen Shot While Near His Former Home.

James Starr was killed in Martin county a few days ago by a young man named Hensley.

Starr owned a farm about five miles west of Louisa, which he bought a few years ago from one of the Burchetts. Some time ago he contracted to do a logging job on Wolfe creek, Martin county, his old home neighborhood. He was here last week to vote.

It is said he had been drinking several days previous to his death and that he attacked the Hensley boy, shooting at him twice with a shotgun. Hensley saved himself by falling over a bank, and then came up with a pistol. It is said he planted eight or nine bullets in Starr's body, causing instant death. Hensley surrendered to the officers.

Starr's reputation in Martin county was that of a dangerous man, especially when drinking. While living in Lawrence, however, he had been in no trouble.

Another Brick Business House to be Built Here

We are authoritatively informed that J. Israelky will erect a modern two-story brick business house on the site where his present building stands. Evidently, Jake has caught the fever of improvement that pervades Louisa. Having decided to build he will arrange to start as soon as possible. He bought the property he occupies with his store about a year ago. Let the good work go on.

LADIES, TAKE NOTICE.

Mrs. Florence Emery of Huntington, W. Va., expert interior decorator will be here Friday, November 18th, with all sorts of decorations for the home, and will give many valuable suggestions to the ladies of Louisa on the latest in home furnishings. Her lecture and exhibition will be given free in the M. E. Church, South, at 2:30 p. m. Be there.

WAYNE COUNTY COUPLE.

Shirley Thompson and Miss Effie McKenzie motored over from Wayne county, W. Va., to the home of Rev. H. B. Hewlett and were married last Monday. Rev. Hewlett performing the ceremony.

SECOND COMMUNITY CONFERENCE SUNDAY

Meeting for Men and Boys at Churches in Louisa.

At the Baptist church in Louisa next Sunday afternoon the second annual community conference for men and boys of Louisa will be held at three o'clock.

The speakers will be Judge L. F. Zerfoss of Lexington and W. W. Hall, district secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Ashland.

Every man and boy interested in educational, recreational, moral and religious conditions of Louisa boys should attend. An interesting program is assured.

On Sunday night union services will be held at the M. E. Church South and Judge Zerfoss will deliver a special community address. Everybody invited.

THREE CONTESTS REPORTED COMING IN THIS COUNTY

Two Have Already Filed and Another Said to be in Preparation.

H. W. Williams, who was defeated in the election last week for Tax Commissioner of Lawrence county, has filed a suit to restrain the election commissioners from issuing a certificate of election to his opponent, David M. Currutte, who received a majority of 92 votes. The contention is that Mr. Currutte's certificate of nomination was not properly filed. No question was raised about this before the ballots were printed and his name went on.

Rev. H. B. Hewlett has filed a suit to prevent W. S. Boggs from receiving the certificate of election as Circuit Clerk. Mr. Hewlett's name was kept off of the ballots by a decision based upon the fact that he was two days late in filing his certificate of nomination. He and Walter Arrington, nominee for County Clerk, who was also disqualified in the same way, decided it would be useless to continue in the race by asking the people to write their names on the ballots. In spite of this fact several hundred voters wrote their names on their ballots. This has led to a decision to have a test made in Hewlett's case on the same grounds that the other cases were decided. It is charged that Boggs' certificate was not regularly filed within the time required.

It is reported that H. B. Muncy is preparing to contest the election of his opponent, Jim Walter Young, who won by 40 votes. At the time this is written the suit had not been filed. We understand that a recount will be asked for in the suit.

Interior Decorator to be in Louisa Friday, the 18th

No woman interested in making her home as attractive as possible with the things at hand, or who hopes some time to buy new furnishings, can afford to miss Mrs. Emery's talk on Friday afternoon Nov. 18, at 2:30, at the M. E. Church, South. Mrs. Emery is the interior decorator from Anderson-Newcomb Company, Huntington, W. Va., and has just returned from a three months' trip to Europe in the interest of her profession. The talk is free and all women are cordially invited.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Otto Pannin, 23, to Emma Patton, 20, of Middle creek, Ky.
Arby Short, 30, of Wilbur, to Pheba Cordie, 24, of Cordell.
Shirley Thompson, 22, to Effie McKenzie, 21, of Port Gay.
L. T. Jones, 21, of Ironton, to Lena F. Picklesimer, 19, of Louisa.
Tiny Cook, 24, to May George, 22, of Henrietta.
Green Moore, 47, of Potter to Minta Rice, 41, of Dennis.

JUST A MOMENT, FOLKS.

We are to have with us a U. S. Army goods store and bargain house that comes to please all the people and give more for their dollar than ever before in Louisa. Watch for the big sale page in this paper next Thursday. Sale begins next Thursday. Don't miss it. (advertisement.)

MRS. FELT O'BRIEN DEAD.

Mrs. Zara O'Brien died last Friday at her home in Port Gay, W. Va. She was a sister of Mrs. L. H. York of this place. She had been ill for quite a while. Her husband, Felt O'Brien and some grown children survive.

OFFICIAL COUNT ELECTS VINSON JUSTICE OF PEACE

No Other Changes of Importance in Lawrence County Result.

The official count of Lawrence county's vote changed the result in a majority race from a tie to one majority for Robt. W. Vinson in the district composed of Rockcastle, Peach Orchard and Gambill precincts. He made the race on a good roads platform against Dave Sammons, Republican nominee. Mr. Vinson is a Democrat and this makes the fiscal court equally divided on that point. Also, he is a real good roads enthusiast. He demonstrated that fact a few months ago by leading a volunteer movement in working roads free. He and his neighbors put the Tug river road into good condition at no cost to the county.

The official count reduced Jim Walter Young's majority for Sheriff from 45 to 40. In other county races the differences from the result as published in the NEWS last week were only one or two votes in some races.

The school amendment to change the manner of choosing the State Superintendent of Schools received 366 yes votes and 367 no. The other amendment was 253 yes to 276 no.

The stock law in Peach Orchard precinct lost 117 to 41. In the Catt precinct a stock law proposition carried 143 to 14.

Passenger Trains to Elkhorn City Daily

Passenger trains Nos. 53 and 54 operating between Pikeville and Elkhorn City, will run every day in the week including Sunday. It was announced by C. & O. officials.

The rearranged schedule is effective immediately and means a great deal to Big Sandy as traffic will not be delayed over Sunday. The change was made on the request of the coal operators of the Big Sandy valley who use the two trains a great deal.

SOMNAMBULIST WALKS IN FRONT OF TRAIN, MAY DIE

Pikeville, Nov. 14.—Steve Ramey, 40, was perhaps fatally injured when he was struck by a freight train near his home at Sawane. Ramey who was a somnambulist, had left his home after midnight clad only in his night clothes. He carried his clothes in a bundle. The engineer saw him flit across the track and slowed down. Seeing the track clear, the engineer then threw the throttle open, when Ramey stepped back onto the track. He sustained serious injuries about the chest and was brought here.

IMPROVED N. & W. SERVICE DUE TO MR. MACKUBIN

The NEWS announced last week that the West Virginia Public Service Commission had made an order directing N. & W. train No. 15 to stop on flag at Glenhays. Credit for this order is due to Mr. C. Mackubin, of Glenhays, who made the fight for this additional and much needed service. We take pleasure in placing the credit where it is due.

NEGRO KILLED IN BANK AT EARLY HOUR

Prestonsburg Man Finds Negroes in Bank at 3:30 a. m. and Kills One.

Jim Frasier, age about 60, killed a negro in the Bank Josephine at Prestonsburg Tuesday morning at 3:30. The negro's name was John Mills, age about 25. Frasier has been janitor of the building for many years and always comes to the bank very early to clean up. He says he surprised Mills and another negro while they were ransacking the desks in the bank. The other man escaped through an open window. Several drawers were found open, with contents scattered on the floor. Nothing of value has been missed.

Mills had no hat or coat on and was unarmed. He received one shot in the jaw and death resulted instantly. He was employed at a hotel since going to Prestonsburg November 2. It is said he was a convict, having been paroled from the Frankfort penitentiary recently.

Frasier is a native of Louisa, having grown up here, and for many years during his youth he was in the employ of Capt. M. Froese.

STATE WILL HAVE SIX ROAD DIVISIONS JAN. 1

Frankfort, Ky.—Road divisions under the State Highway Commission are to be reduced from nine to six January 1 by State Highway Commissioner Joe S. Boggs, and each division engineer will have a clerk and an assistant and take care of detail work without coming to the Frankfort office. Divisions will have headquarters in the homes of the four Highway Commissioners, Ben Wellie, Paducah; Ed S. Monahan, Louisville; H. Green Garrett, Winchester and H. H. Asher, Pineville.

The commission accepted the State maintenance 46 miles of highway, making a total of 280 miles under maintenance.

The commission also accepted \$41,000 from Caldwell county for building 14.5 miles through Predonia from the Crittenden line to Princeton, a continuation of the contract let from Marion to the Caldwell line. This is on State project No. 10.

DEATH PENALTY IMPOSED ON PORTSMOUTH MAN

Portsmouth, O.—Roy Schambill, 27, a shoe worker, was sentenced to die in the electric chair for the murder of John W. Newman, 26, a married man and Miss Louise Doyle, 18, whose bodies were found October 25 in a cabin near here. Schambill, in a confession, declared he had found the couple in the cabin and had shot Newman after he had thrown a brick at him and later killed Miss Doyle so she could not tell of the crime.

WILLIAM PETRY JAILED.

Charleston, W. Va.—William Petry, vice president of district 17, United Mine Workers of America, was brought to the county jail here, after his arrest at Columbus, Ohio. Mr. Petry was indicted in connection with the armed march from Marmet into Logan county last August.

Moore & Burton will move their store from Lock avenue to the F. H. Yates building now used for a picture show by the Eldorado. As soon as the new picture show room in the Walters building is finished the Yates building will be put into condition for the store.